VIRGINIA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

Officer Candidate School
FY 2015

Commander

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MISSION

Develop the leadership ability and professional skills of each candidate in preparation for the individual's appointment as a Second Lieutenant in the Virginia Army National Guard or the U.S. Army Reserve.

(VaARNG Regulation 351-5)

OCS PREREQUISITES

(Must be met and documented prior to Phas

- Passing APFT
- Passing Ht / Wt
- 90+ College Credits
- Birth Certificate/Proof of Citizenship
- BCT & AIT / or OCS Option
- GT 110+
- Current Chapter 2 Physical
- Submitted Secret Clearance Request
- ETS Beyond Projected Commissioning
- Waivers Requested
- Attached / Promoted (E-6)

FEDERAL RECOGNITION

Commissioning Requirements

- NGB 62-E Completed
- 90+ College Credits with an accredited university
- Commissioning Physical
- Passing APFT
- Passing Ht/Wt
- Social Security Card
- Birth Certificate / Proof of Citizenship
- DD 214 / DD 220 / NGB 22
- Statement of MSO / 20 Year Retirement
- Secret Clearance Granted

WAIVERS

- No age waiver-up to 41 years and 364 days
- Criminal conviction waiver
- Medical waiver
- Moral Turpitude / drug use waiver
- AIT waiver

OCS PROGRAM

PRE-OCS

Pre-OCS (Holding Platoon) was developed to provide continuity of training; opportunity for leadership-specific blocks of instruction and timely facilitation of administrative tasks. The Holding Platoon eliminates the lag time between schools and provide those with limited soldiering experience the opportunity to learn or improve the skills necessary to succeed at OCS.

PHASE 0 OCS

OCS Prep was developed both with the intent of providing maximum time for ALL candidates to complete pre-requisites and Fed-Rec Packets IOT be prepared for Phase I. This Phase also provides those with limited soldiering experience the opportunity to learn or improve the skills necessary to succeed at OCS.

DURING PHASE 0 OCS

- Review and counseling of required items to complete Pre-Req / Fed Rec packets
- Clothing / Equipment requirements
- Physical Fitness / D&C
- Leadership Training / TLPs / OPORDs
- Land-Navigation

TWO OPTIONS

Traditional

Accelerated

TRADITIONAL OVERVIEW

- Approximately 22 months of training
- Phase I: 2-week AT in Edgewood, MD in June
- Phase II: IDT Drill weekends @ Fort Pickett for 11 months- July to June
- Phase III: 2-week AT in Edgewood, MD in July to August
- Graduate August IDT period after Phase III

TRADITIONAL PHASE I

- Assessment of Basic Leadership Qualities of Candidates
- Land Navigation/FTX
- Drill and Ceremony
- Student Taught MQS Tasks (WTBD)
- Basic Soldier Skills Assessment

TRADITIONAL PHASE II

- Candidates' duties continue between drills, with training meetings, class projects, planning and coordination to prepare them for their role as a NG Officer

- Refine Leadership Skills

- Instruction on Leadership, Operations, Supply, Field Artillery, Military Intelligence, Tactics, Military Justice, Military History and Training Management

- Learn company level leadership roles through FTX/Squad lanes/Infantry tactics training

TRADITIONAL PHASE III

- Expected to be performing at the level of a 2LT
- Learn Squad, Platoon Level Tactics
- Infantry Based Doctrine-Platoon level
- Emphasis is on FM 3-21.8
- Primarily Field Problems and Lanes

ACCELERATED OVERVIEW

- Approx 8 weeks of training. Offered twice a year. Same program of instruction (POI) as the traditional program

- Candidate must pass the OCS board to be selected

- Winter (23 January 2015 to 21 March 2015)
  - All three Phases at Ft McClellan, AL

- Summer (10 July to 06 September 2015)
  - Phase I- 2 Weeks in Niantic, CT
  - Phase II- 4 Weeks at FT Indiantown Gap, PA
  - Phase III- 2 Weeks at FT Indiantown Gap, PA

ACCELERATED CANDIDATE

Must meet all Pre-Requisites and have a complete Federal Recognition Packet prior to attending Phase I

Key items for Accelerated Candidates:

- College transcripts and Required Test Scores
- Commissioning Physical
- Secret Clearance Granted
- Waivers Approved

FY15

OCS Class 58

Winter Accelerated Enrollment begins October 2014

Traditional and Summer Accelerated Enrollment Begins January 2015

Pre-OCS Enrollment begins May 2015

TRADITIONAL FY 15-16/ 58

- OCS Prep 23 January 2015 – 28 June 2015
- Phase I 24 July 2015 – 08 August 2015
- Phase II(IDT) 21 Aug 2015 – 19 Jun 2016
- Phase III 22 July 2016 - 06 August 2016

WINTER ACCELERATED FY 15/58A

- OCS Prep (IDT) 24 - 26 October 2014
  21 – 23 November 2014 05 – 07 December 2014
- Phase I 23 January – 07 February 2015
- Phase II 07 February – 07 March 2015
- Phase III 07 - 21 Mar 2015
- Graduation 18 April 2015

SUMMER ACCELERATED
FY 15/58B

OCS Prep (IDT)	23 January 2015 – 28 June 2015
Phase I	11 to 25 July 2015 in Niantic, CT
Phase II	27July to 23 August 2015 at FT Indiantown Gap, PA
Phase III at	23 August to 06 September 2015 FT Indiantown Gap, PA
Graduate IDT	Graduation is the next 183rd RTI period after Phase III

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